

Log--- Nature Trail Park -- Brownlee

X. After five years of taking walks in the canyon area above the Community Center and at the end of Buena Vista St., it seemed important that it be preserved from development and kept as a park for the community.

Mar. 25, 1966 Discussed the matter with Hugh Dougherty, President of the Progressive Club and a member of the County Planning Commission. He thought it a good idea and made some suggestions about determining property owners and boundaries, as a beginning.

March 27, 1966 Visited Assessors office . Found the basic property wanted was in the name of Patricia Keller (Pingree and Co.) 206 Tamalpais Drive, Corte Madera. This is marked 182 (14) and she also has 195 (26)09 which is not separated on the map and all of 26 is shown in the name of Leonard. The Kellers are said to be in Hong Kong and their taxes are delinquent for the first payment in 1966 (\$247.59).

Property on the south where the trail meets a gate and road which leads to Panoramic Highway belonged to Mr. Elting Hubbard and has been sold (with its large house) to Charles Herbert, 2546 Jackson St., San Francisco.

The present trail follows an easement 40 ft. wide beyond which is Mr. George Leonard's property.

April 4, 1966 Discussed the possibility of a park briefly with Ann Leary President of Allied Arts and a member of the Wildflower committee. She had talked (as had been suggested to her previously) with the others of the Wildflower group and while they were all interested, they could not be counted to do anything with the Wildflower Show about to come up. After that we could talk about it.

April 6, 1966 Mr. Pierre Joske, new Director of the Park and Recreation Commission, visited Stinson Beach and walked through the area with Mr. Dougherty and Miss Brownlee . He was obviously more recreation than conservation minded. He said to get county funds (or State or Federal) general use outside the area would be necessary, and he seemed to think parking and toilet and picnic facilities would be essential. Invited him to visit the Wildflower Show which does provide an outside and general interest and could well tie to a simple woodland area providing nature observation and requiring no more than trails. He later regretted.

April 7 1966 Presented the plan as tentative to the Progressive Club. Some of those present spoke enthusiastically of what a lovely spot it is. Miss Miller raised a question of great cost and the desire of the property owner and it was agreed the property owner should be notified of our budding interest.

April 7, 1966 Talked to Joe Lawrence of the Fire District about the possibility of a fire road being built. He said it was under consideration but would not follow the easement but would be built in clear land above the area (Mr. Leonard's property) and would provide access to the water tanks.

April 8 1966 Mr. Dougherty informed Mr. Bordenaro who handles the Keller property of our interest.

April 19, 1966 Brownlee discussed with Gladys Snyder, just retired from the State Park and Recreation Department, the tentative plan. She said a great variety of parks are being provided, such as streamside, and the wild flower preserve in Tiburon, and they are under a variety of auspices, such as a water district. She loaned us two pamphlets giving such suggestions.

COUNTY OF MARIN



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

CIVIC CENTER, SAN RAFAEL, CALIFORNIA
TELEPHONE 479-1100 EXT. 312

PIERRE W. JOSKE
DIRECTOR

February 15, 1967

Miss Aleta Brownley, Secretary
Stinson Beach Progressive Club
Stinson Beach, California

Dear Miss Brownley:

Enclosed are prints showing property lines and
present ownerships as per your discussion with
Mr. Joske on December 5, 1966.

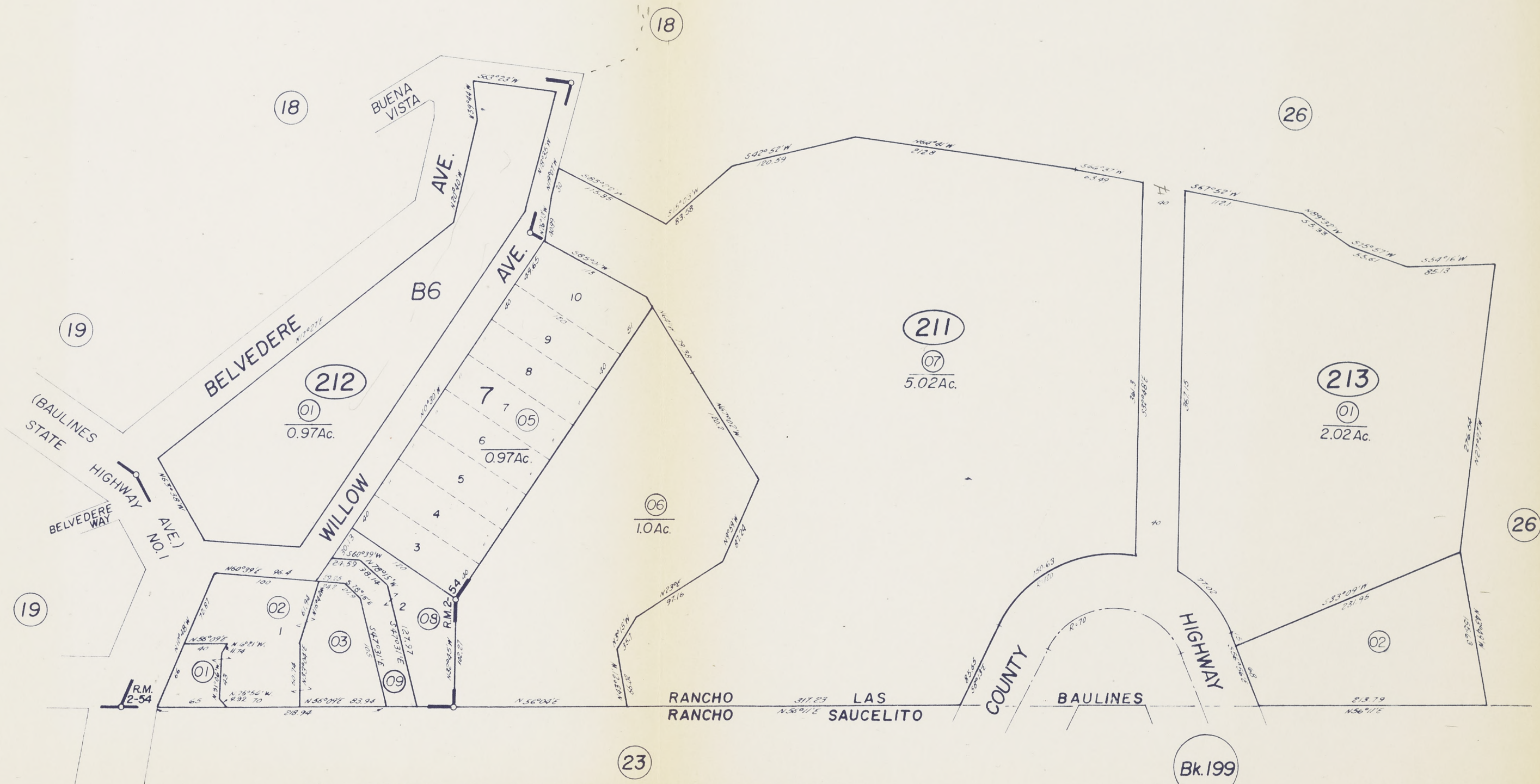
I will be pleased to meet with you on the site to
discuss possible boundaries for park acquisition.
If you will let me know of a time that is convenient
to you I shall be there. If in the meantime you have
any questions, please call.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bob Johns". The signature is stylized with a large, looped "B" and a cursive "Johns".

BOB JOHNS, PARK PLANNER

BJ:g
encl.
cc: Hugh Dougherty



Map of N.H. Stinson's Subdivision No. 1, R.M. Bk. 2-Pg. 54

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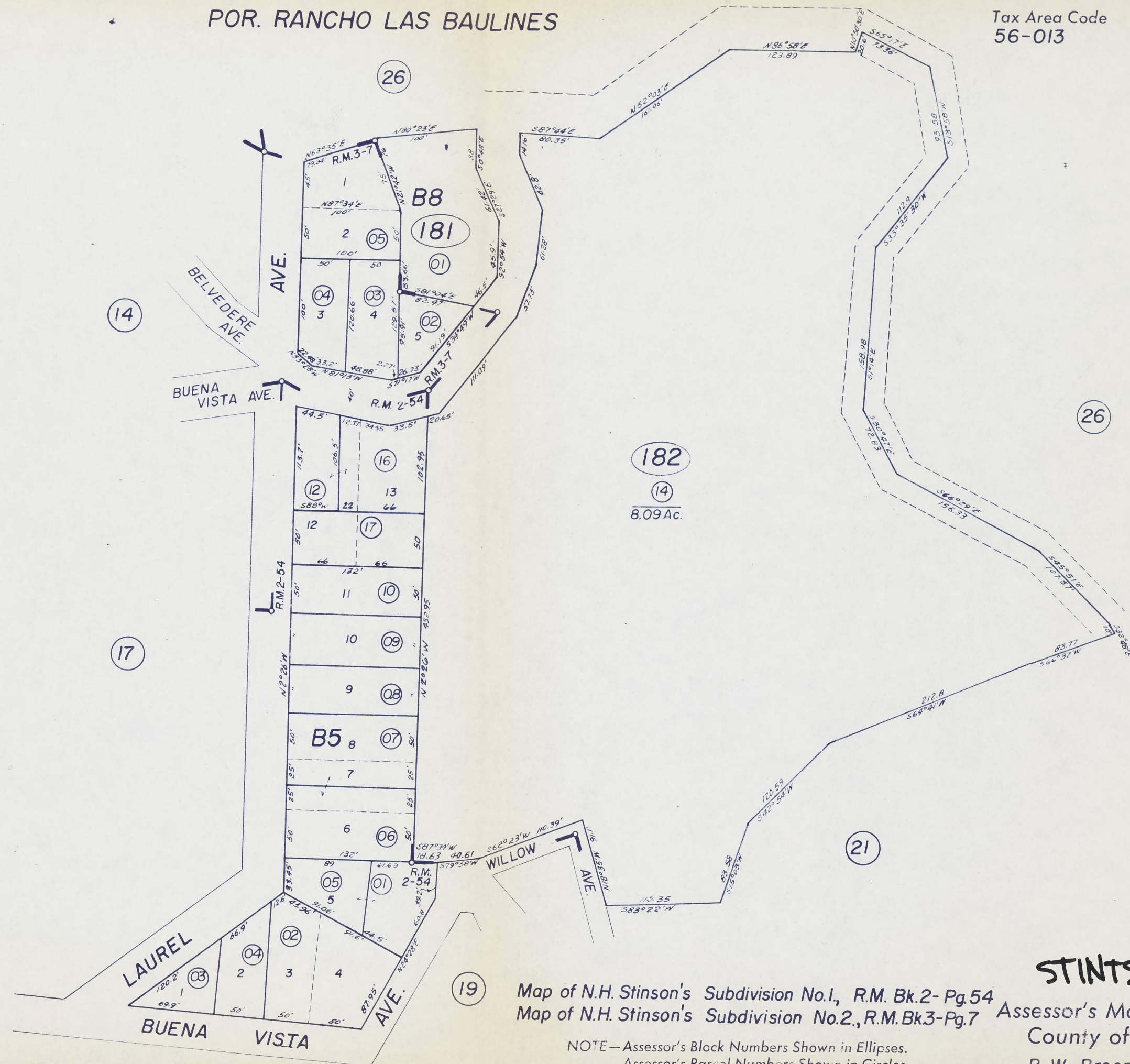
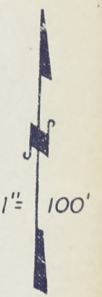
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Map of N.H. Stinson's Subdivision No.1, R.M. Bk.2-Pg.54
Map of N.H. Stinson's Subdivision No.2, R.M. Bk.3-Pg.7

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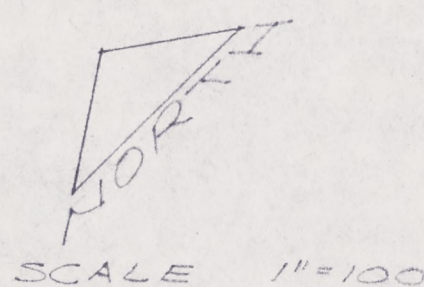
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- BUILDINGS
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NOTE

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REFERENCE MAP ONLY AND SHOULD
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SURVEY

PROPERTY LINES FROM ASSESSORS MAPS
OTHER INFORMATION FROM USGS QUAD SH.



STINSON BEACH IMPROVEMENT CLUB

PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE
STINSON BEACH COMMUNITY PARK

Prepared by Marin County Parks & Recreation Department

April 1969 - Brian G. Wittenkeller

Note: All costs are estimated as in place prices by contractors and could be lessened or eliminated if local residents donated time and materials and did portions of the work themselves.

	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1. Clearing & grubbing & minor grading.	L.S.		\$ 2,000
2. 5' wide sealed & chipped path-way on 4" base	500 L.F.	\$ 3.00	1,500
3. Rest Room Building	L.S.		7,000
4. Water Service and septic system	L.S.		3,500
5. Picnic Tables	5	125.00	625
6. Benches	4	100.00	400
7. Play Sculpture	Donation		000
8. Trash receptacles	5	50.00	250
9. Turf and irrigation	4,500 SF	0.25	1,125
10. Foot Bridge	L.S.		1,500
11. Miscellaneous planting	L.S.		500
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			\$ 18,150
+ 15% contingency and profit			<hr/>
			2,722
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			\$ 20,872

The cost of the restroom and the utilities may be deducted from estimate if these facilities can be provided at the club house.

The maintenance of completed park would average 8 hours per week on a twice per week schedule for an annual cost of \pm \$2,500 including supplies.

The cost of the 2.2 acres of land needed to complete the park would have to be derived separately and added to the total cost of the park.

COUNTY OF MARIN

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

CIVIC CENTER, SAN RAFAEL, CALIFORNIA 94903
TELEPHONE 479-1100 EXT. 2515

PIERRE W. JOSKE
DIRECTOR

May 13, 1969

Mr. Hugh Dougherty
Stinson Beach Progressive Club
P. O. Box 134
Stinson Beach, California

Dear Hugh:

As you requested, we have prepared a preliminary site development plan and cost estimate for establishing a park adjacent to your Community Center.

In designing the park, we attempted to locate it and include facilities to best accommodate your community's needs. In essence, the proposal includes 3.2 acres of land, picnic units, tot and grass play areas, and restrooms. Your community can add to or delete from this list according to desires. Also, volunteer labor, donations, and possibly a grant could be used as methods to reduce cost both initial and maintenance.

Financing for the project may be obtained in several ways - through an association such as yours, or by formation of a Park and Recreation District or County Service Area. In my opinion though, the easiest method to develop and operate this proposed park is through expanding the purposes of your present County Service Area No. 8. This method would also have the advantage of enabling your community, if desired, to use the Service Area for beautification and other public services.

The first step in expanding the purposes of a Community Service Area or formation of any special taxing district, if the project is to be successful, is to obtain community consensus. And before this can be accomplished, residents usually want to know what the cost to them will be. This will be difficult to estimate for your proposed park since the exact scope or radius is not known.

For this purpose, however, we will assume that your Community Service Area is expanded, the park is developed as per the attached plan, and that 50% of the total amount can be obtained through a grant, donations and volunteer labor. Under these conditions, the cost to acquire the additional 2.2 acres and develop the site would be 20-25¢ per \$100 assessed valuation or \$12.00 - \$14.00 per year for the owner of a \$25,000 home.

To: Hugh Dougherty
re: Preliminary Site Development plan.

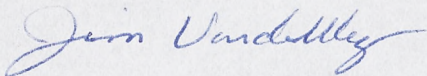
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Thereafter, the maintenance, if it were accomplished entirely by County forces, would run approximately 12¢ per \$100 a.v. or \$7.00 per year for the owner of a \$25,000 home. However, we understand that there would be volunteer labor and service donations which would reduce this amount.

By preparing this plan we have extended ourselves somewhat beyond what we normally should without community consensus. We were glad to do it for your organization, however, as we realize this is many times necessary to generate the community support essential for success of a project.

We greatly appreciate your active interest in park facilities and wish you success in your worthwhile endeavor. Please let us know if you have any questions or if we may be of further service.

Sincerely yours,



JIM VANDE WEG,
Park Coordinator

JV:g

cc: Supervisor Baar

encl: Community Park Plan
Cost Estimate

Six petitions submitted...verified by:

Hugh Dougherty
Beulah Korty
Marie Dearn
Deanne Lund
Aleta Brownlee
Peter Niederberger

August 22, 1969

Hon. Board of Supervisors
Marin County Civic Center
San Rafael, California

Gentlemen:

Attached please find petitions from residents of Stinson Beach requesting that the "purposes" of County Service Area No. 8 be enlarged to permit the community to move ahead with its plans for local park and recreation facilities, and perhaps for some street tree planting.

This Service Area was established by your Board a few years ago in response to a similar petition presented by our organization, and is means by which the community pays for street lighting. By using this existing Service Area, there will be no need to form a new special district.

We have a particular project under consideration; a small park equipped with recreational facilities such as is found in tot lots, and perhaps for older children also, located upstream from our Community Center. This project was the subject of a questionnaire to our membership who responded 72 to 28 in favor of it.

In addition to acting favorably on the petition, we would suggest that you appoint a citizens advisory committee of local residents to assist you in much the same way as you now appoint advisory committees in the various flood control zones.

Very truly yours

Hugh Dougherty, President

cc Pierre Toske